The top 10 screen recorder apps for Android

Being able to record the screen on your Android device can be really useful, Whether creating content for social media, tutorials or just something to help a friend, being able to show exactly what is on the screen can make all the difference.

However, if you want to record your Android screen, a quick search will show you that there are dozens of apps to help you. But which one should you use? We have tried them all so that you don't have to, and here are our picks for the top ten screen recorder apps for Android devices.

IXI SCREEN RECORDER: High Performance and low priced at \$1.99 lifetime license



IXI Screen Recorder is a FREE Screen Recorder + Audio / Phone conversation recorder + Screenshot Maker + Cam Recorder, all in one and is one of the few apps that can record the screen, the sound from your screen/speakers and your microphone input and your selfie camera input, all at once without missing a beat! Plus, you can write on the screen while recording, And you can use the FREE version (ad supported) to create videos without any watermarks, and without any length limitations. You can get rid of the ads for a ONE TIME payment of \$1.99, which gives you a lifetime license. No subscriptions, no forever payments. You will NOT find another screen recorder app that does all that.

Pros:

- Simple to use
- Video Screen-recording
- Phone call recordings
- Screenshot recorder
- Screen-recording includes microphone input and camera input simultaneously
- Write on the screen while recording
- No time limits or watermarking in the free version
- Pro version is available for a one time payment of \$1.99

Cons

• Built in edit has minimal features

AZ Screen Recorder

With over 50 million downloads and a 4.5-star rating after over a million reviews, the AZ screen recorder has proven very popular with Android users. It is incredibly easy to use, completely free and has all the features you need.

This includes full screen recording in a number of resolutions, live streaming as well as internal audio recording as well for all devices running Android 10 or above, and the ability to record the screen and your front facing camera at the same time. It even includes a limited video editor, which may not be enough for every use, but for many users will mean one less app to install.

It has a drawing tool for annotations while recording, it has no watermark or time restrictions on your recording either. However, while the app is free, it is ad supported, so you have to put up with some ads while you are using the software, although this does not impact your recordings in any way. You can pay \$2.99 for the premium version and avoid ads altogether.

Pros:

- Simple to use
- Integrated editor means you can record and publish in one go
- High quality video and sound

Cons

You can experience audio problems on older versions of Android.

X Recorder

InShot make a number of video apps for Android, and this is their dedicated screen recorder that has been downloaded over 100 million times. You can see why too, it offers a great recording experience, with no times limits or water marks, easy annotations and drawing during recording, and quality video and audio output.

You can choose a number of resolutions and quality settings to suit your needs for recording, it supports live streaming and audio recording too. This is another very easy app to use, and you can record both screen and front camera output at the same time if you want.

It seamlessly integrates with your social media too, making it easy to share your videos once created, and with a limited but effective built in video editor, has everything in one place for you.

The app is completely free but does include ads and options for in-app purchases, although none of this affects the functionality of the recording process.

Pros

- Full HD 1080p recording
- One touch start makes it easy to use
- Built in editor

Cons

Some of the added features are not quite as easy to access as other apps on the list

The Native App

Android 9 introduced its own built in screen recorder when it was launched back in 2018. As a result, your Android device probably has that, making it easy to start screen recording, right? You can find the app in your quick settings panel, or at least you should. Some device manufacturers leave it hidden, but it is easy to enable. Just tap the edit quick settings and add it to your app list.

However, while the fact it comes with Android means it is super convenient, and is a great option if you just want to record something occasionally, it lacks the features and flexibility of the third party apps.

So, a good option, and if you find yourself wanting to do a simple recording, is by far the easiest option because you don't have to install anything. But you don't get to choose resolutions, add annotations or any of the additional features the best screen recorders offer. So, if you are looking to create more advanced content, one to skip.

If you are just making a few recordings here and there though, it probably has everything you need. Being native to Android, it is free of course, with no ads, in app purchases or anything else.

Pros

- Completely free with no ads
- No downloads, its built into Android
- Easy to use

Cons

- No choice of resolution
- Lacks added features such as an editor

Mobizen Screen Recorder

Another incredibly popular screen recorder for Android, Mobizen follows a familiar format, with a simple interface, lots of features and good quality recordings. In addition to its screen recording, this one offers the ability to add intros and outros from within the app and more, retaining a simple workflow that gets results quickly.

It can record in a number of resolutions up to 1440p, combine screen recording with your front camera and even allows you to add your own watermark for copyright. Its been available since 2016 and has over 100 million downloads, and it is easy to see why. However despite regular updates, it lacks a little polish compared to the very best.

The app is completely free to use with ads and in-app purchases. These have no effect on functionality, so you can access all features without making purchases, however your videos will feature a watermark in the free version.

Pros

- Up to 1440p high resolution recording
- Create your own watermarks for your content
- Make gifs directly from the app

Cons

Watermark on free version

DUU Screen Recorder

A much newer entry to the screen recorder for Android scene is DUU, which offers all the features you want, from multiple resolutions and screen/camera capture, and also adds seamless social media integration. There are no time limits, no watermarks or other restrictions, and is entirely free, with some in-app purchase options.

It offers a similar interface to the others on the list. Its proven to work, so that is understandable, and offers good performance, although not as smooth as something like the AZ screen recorder. However, it offers everything you might need in a free, easy to use package.

The app is free to use with no watermarks, time limits or other restrictions, and has ads within the app. These do not affect the functionality of the recording.

Pros

- 1080p, 12Mbps, 60FPS high quality recording
- Easy to use
- No watermarks

Cons

• Not compatible with Android 8 or earlier

Videoshow Screen Recorder

Hugely popular, this is another very easy to use app that has amassed more than 100 million downloads since its launch. Again, a simple interface provides easy access to all the useful features, and allows screenshots and video at multiple resolutions.

The in-built editor allows fast adjustments, with filters and effects easily added. From there, it is just a couple of taps to share any video you create with your social media channels. The app is regularly updated and with features such as front camera capture added, it keeps up with the very best for functionality. The tap to record function is especially useful for gamers, and overall it is a very polished choice that matches the others in this list for performance and ease of use.

The app is free to use with in app ads, although they have no effect on functionality, so you can use this for watermark free recording without having to make a purchase.

Pros

- Very easy to use
- One tap to record
- Al noise reduction for better sound

Cons

• Some users report issues with sound recording on longer videos

Loom

While the majority of apps on this list take a very similar approach, Loom is a little different. It offers the same ability to record your screen, front camera or both, with easy sharing to social media, but Loom also offers a platform in its own right.

Other users can comment on videos, making this something a little different in focus. It is an excellent tool for teams or anyone wanting direct feedback from their audience. Video capture is excellent, although it doesn't have the annotation and editing flexibility of the highest rated screen recorder apps for Android.

Loom is completely free to download and use, with ads shown in the app that do not impact functionality. There is no watermarking or restrictions, so this is a completely free screen recorder.

Pros

- Excellent quality recording
- Hosting platform with comments creates communities
- Ideal for team use in the work environment

Cons

Lacks the editing and annotation tools of alternatives

Glip

Another screen recorder for Android that offers something original, Glip is focused squarely at game streamers, offering a range of tools designed to help boost audience engagement and with it, income.

Glip offers great screen recording, but also allows both game audio and headset vocals to be recorded too. Add the ability to live stream, and Glip becomes a complete streaming engine in your Android device. With in app commentary for your audience and the ability to monetize views and interactions, it really is a cost-effective way to get into streaming mobile games.

Glip is completely free, with no watermarks or other restrictions, but it does have in-app ads, they do not affect functionality in any way.

Pros

- · Live streaming straight from your Android device
- No watermarks or time limits
- High quality video recording

Cons

- No editor included
- Not as simple to use as some

Super ScreenRecorder

Another variant on the best screen recorder apps for Android, this one used a very similar interface style, with a single tap for recording. Alongside that ease of use are several recording options, the ability to record the front camera as well as the screen, and basic editing features to allow you to trim video and edit photos.

In addition, Super ScreenRecorder also includes a voice changer for new effects in your videos, easily create gifs from your video clips and more. This is another app with many features aimed at gaming streamers, but it has enough flexibility to work for most needs and is a very useful piece of software for anyone looking for professional results.

This is another free, ad supported app, and includes all features without making a purchase.

Pros

- Up to 2K resolution recording in very high quality
- Build in editor is easy to use
- You can record audio only for podcasts and similar

Cons

Uses more resources than others on the list, so can be slow on some older devices

AX Recorder

Built to be lightweight, so you avoid lag when playing games and recording, AX recorder still packs in the features. With good 1080p recording, including the ability to record front camera and screen at the same time, annotations and a whiteboard during recording and more, it has everything you might need for a professional presentation, streaming or anything else you can think of. You can record both internal sounds and an external microphone too, and all this is done with once click recording and thanks to its light weight, no lag on your device. A free app supported by ads, you get the full featured version without spending anything. There are no watermarks or time limits for use either.

Pros

- High quality 1080p recording
- Annotations in real time during recording
- Light app works without slowing down your games or other apps

Cons

Just 1080p recording when others offer 1440p resolutions

Conclusion

Any of these options does a great job as a screen recorder for Android, and most follow a very similar design and approach. Thy X Recorder and AZ Recorder options are the most stable of these, the IXI Screen Recorder gives most value for money with it 5-in-1 features and the lifetime license for \$1.99.

However, if you are looking for something different, Loom is a platform as well as a recorder, and could be useful for professional work, while Glip offers a route to monetizing streaming that requires no external hardware at all, so for fledgling streamers may be an option to think about.